



The recent natural disasters should serve as a reminder to all of us to update our family emergency plan and make ourselves aware of government resources and plans in the event of an emergency. Here are some resources to help you prepare and learn more about government preparedness.

For helpful information on organizations that are helping provide relief, and how to obtain disaster assistance, visit the [Hurricane Relief Section](#) of this site.

**Home and Family:** Visit the [Red Cross](#) to learn how to prepare your home and your loved ones.

**Vehicle:** Visit the [Los Angeles County Fire Dept.](#) to learn how to be prepared for an emergency when you're on the road.

**Business and Office:** Visit the [Dept. of Homeland Security](#) to learn how to prepare your business and office.

**Pets:** Visit the [Federal Emergency Management Agency's Tips for Pet Owners](#) to learn how to prepare for your pets.

**Avian Flu:** Visit the [U.S. Government Site on Pandemic Flu](#) for key facts about avian influenza and other pandemic influenzas.

**West Nile:** Visit the [California Site on West Nile Virus](#) for facts and prevention information about this virus.

**Response and Recovery:** Visit [FEMA's site](#) for tips to help you respond and recover from an emergency after it happens.

**What's happening in my city?** Cities and counties continually update their evacuation and emergency preparedness plans. Periodically check with your city or county website for more information about your local emergency preparedness plans.

[Artesia](#)  
[Lakewood](#)  
[Cerritos](#)  
[Lynwood](#)  
[Whittier](#)  
[Long Beach](#)  
[La Mirada](#)  
[Watts](#)  
[South Gate](#)  
[Paramount](#)  
[Hawaiian Gardens](#)  
[Willowbrook, Florence/Firestone](#)

**State Government Emergency Preparedness:** Visit the [California Office of Emergency Services](#) for more information about the state government's efforts to prepare cities and counties for emergencies.

**Federal Government Emergency Preparedness:** Visit the [Federal Emergency Management Agency](#) for more information about the federal government's efforts to prepare states and regions for emergencies.

**Kid's Corner:** [FEMA for Kids](#)